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E. DRV AIR ACTIVITY: 1. DRV SAM SITE LOCATED LAUNCHES ONE UNSUCCESSFUL MISSILE AT A FLIGHT OF HOSTILE AIRCRAFT. ANALYSIS OF DRV SAM ASSOCIATED COMMUNICATIONS ON 20 JANUARY HAS REVEALED THE LAUNCH OF ONE MISSILE AT A FLIGHT OF HOSTILE AIRCRAFT BY THE SITE LOCATED AT 20-08N 106-03E AT 0153. A SPEAKER AT THE SITE REPORTED THAT THE TARGET INCREASED ALTITUDE AFTER THE LAUNCH AND WAS NOTED FLYING AWAY FROM THE AREA. REFERENCE WAS MADE TO THE AAA UNITS IN THE AREA FIRING PROPERLY BUT WITH UNSUCCESSFUL RESULTS. COMMENTS: AVAILABLE COLLATERAL DATA INDICATES THAT NO U. S. AIRCRAFT WERE LOST OR DAMAGED DURING THIS TIME IN THIS AREA. ~~TOP SECRET SAVIN~~ 2. DRV SAM SITE POSSIBLY DOWNS HOSTILE AIRCRAFT ON 19 JANUARY. ANALYSIS OF DRV SAM ASSOCIATED COMMUNICATIONS ON 19 JANUARY HAS REVEALED THE POSSIBLE SHOOTDOWN OF A HOSTILE AIRCRAFT BY THE SAM SITE LOCATED AT 20-08N 106-03E AT 0652. A MISSILE WAS NOTED LAUNCHED AT 0652 AND IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER A SPEAKER AT THE SITE STATED THAT THE TARGET HAD BEEN DESTROYED. HE WENT FURTHER TO STATE QUOTE TWO MISSILES EXPLODED: HAD TWO TARGETS EXPLODE: UNQUOTE. COMMENTS: DUE TO THE CONFUSED STATE OF THE SPEAKER, IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO DETERMINE THE EXACT NUMBER OF AIRCRAFT REPORTED DESTROYED; HOWEVER, PROBABLY ONLY ONE MISSILE WAS LAUNCHED. AVAILABLE COLLATERAL DATA INDICATES THAT APPROXIMATELY ELEVEN MISSILES WERE LAUNCHED FROM THIS GENERAL AREA BETWEEN 0643 AND 0700. NO U. S. AIRCRAFT WERE REPORTED LOST OR DAMAGED IN THIS AREA AT THIS TIME. ~~TOP SECRET SAVIN~~ 3. DRV SAM SITE LAUNCHES TWO MISSILES ON 18 JANUARY. ANALYSIS OF DRV SAM ASSOCIATED COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES SERVING THE PHUC YEN REGIMENT ON 18 JANUARY INDICATES TWO MISSILES WERE LAUNCHED AT APPROXIMATELY 0701. THE ACTIVITY, REFLECTED BETWEEN 0649 AND 0726, INDICATES THAT THE SAM SITE LOCATED AT 21-26N 105-51E (PROBABLY PHOTO SITE 21-25:57N 105-51:42E), FIRED TWO MISSILES AT A FLIGHT OF TWO UNIDENTIFIED TYPE AIRCRAFT. TRACKING DATA BY THIS SITE INDICATES THE AIRCRAFT WERE INITIALLY DETECTED BY THE ACQUISITION RADAR AT 0652 IN THE VICINITY OF 21-43N 106-20E. THE TARGET THEN FLEW IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION TO 21-46N 105-31E WHERE DIRECTION OF FLIGHT CHANGED TO A SOUTHEASTERLY HEADING TO A POSITION 11 NAUTICAL MILES WEST OF THAI NGUYEN AT 0701, WHERE TRACKING WAS TEMPORARILY LOST. AT 0703, A FINAL POSITION APPROXIMATELY 3 NAUTICAL MILES SOUTH OF THAI NGUYEN WAS NOTED FOR THIS FLIGHT STILL IDENTIFIED AS TWO AIRCRAFT. THE SPEAKER AT THE SITE MADE SEVERAL REFERENCES TO QUOTE POSITIVE INTERFERENCE UNQUOTE ON THE FAN SONG RADAR AND APPARENTLY COULD NOT EFFECT LOCK-ON TO THE TARGET. THE REPORTED INTERFERENCE AND TARGET EVASIVE ACTIONS RESULTED IN A COMPLETE LOSS OF TRACKING OF THE TARGET FROM 0701 TO 0703. FROM

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0704 TO 0707 THIS SITE WAS AGAIN PREPARED TO FIRE AT ANOTHER TARGET APPROACHING THE AREA, BUT BECAUSE OF MORE QUOTE POSITIVE INTERFERENCE UNQUOTE LOCK ON COULD NOT BE ACHIEVED AND NO LAUNCH WAS REFLECTED. FROM APPROXIMATELY 0719 TO 0721 THIS SITE WAS INSTRUCTED TO TRACK AND DESTROY A HIGH ALTITUDE QUOTE PILOTLESS AIRCRAFT UNQUOTE FLYING AT AN ALTITUDE OF 59,058 FEET. THIS TARGET WAS REFLECTED AS ENTERING TO WITHIN 20 NAUTICAL MILES OF THE SAM SITE BUT DID NOT COME WITHIN EFFECTIVE RANGE AND NO LAUNCHES WERE ATTEMPTED BY THIS BATTALION. COMMENTS: OPERATIONAL REPORTS INDICATE THAT ONE EB-66C AND ONE EB-66C WERE ORBITING BETWEEN 20-50N 107-37E AND 20-07N 107-06E FROM 0646 TO 0717 AND WERE ENGAGED IN JAMMING FAN SONG RADARS. ANOTHER FLIGHT, OF THE SAME NUMBER AND TYPE OF AIRCRAFT ORBITED BETWEEN 21-20N 104-45E AND 20-50N 104-45E BETWEEN 0645 AND 0724 AND WAS ALSO JAMMING FAN SONG RADARS. NO MISSILE SIGHTINGS OR AIR-CRAFT LOSS WERE REPORTED WHICH CAN BE CORRELATED WITH THIS ACTIVITY. ~~SECRET~~

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